

A NEWSLETTER FOR HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS, PRINCIPALS AND REGISTRARS FROM SHELTON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

GREETINGS FROM SHELTON STATE!

We hope that this academic year has gotten off to great start for you and your students.

State At Shelton Community College our relationships with future graduates must begin before they ever set foot on our campuses and that's where we need your assistance. You see these students both in class and out in the community. You know what their strengths are, what their goals are, and what they are looking to gain from their high school experience. You are the person they come to for guidance and we want to make sure that you have as much information as possible on what is available to them. That is why we want to continue to build on our relationship with you. We hope the relationship that we have with you, your students and your school will continue to grow throughout this year and for many years to come.

We are very excited about the educational and growth opportunities available here at Shelton State. As part of this excitement, we would like to share information about these opportunities on a regular basis with the principals, teachers, guidance counselors and registrars that come in contact with students everyday. At Shelton State we understand and respect your busy schedule. That's why we're sending you the second edition of our newsletter. It will allow you to keep up-to-date on all the happenings at Shelton State at a quick glance.

In closing let me say that we understand that it takes dedication, hard work and support to become a successful college graduate. As the new Assistant Dean for Student Services, I give you my solemn pledge to do everything within my position to assist each and every student you send our way. You and your students will definitely find support at Shelton State. Should you have any concerns please don't hesitate to contact me personally.

Again, have a wonderful academic year.

Jeanetta Hargrow Assistant Dean for Student Services

Dual Enrollment Program Provides Opportunities

We would like to thank the schools that have joined us in the Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit for High School Students Program which allows qualified students the opportunity to receive both high school credit and college credit. College courses taken while the student is still in high school will transfer to most four-year colleges and universities. The program

is restricted to qualified students in Alabama public and private high schools who have signed a working agreement with Shelton State Community College.

Criteria for student eligibility are developed by each individual school system and may be more restrictive than the minimum criteria that follow:

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SSCC SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you find yourself answering the same questions from parents every year? "What college should my student go to? How does he get in? How do we pay for it?" Let us help you with the answers. Shelton State Community College offers a quality education at an affordable price. We also offer competitive scholarships to both high school seniors and currently enrolled Shelton State students.

While each scholarship may have specific requirements, applications for all may be found on the Shelton State website at www.sheltonstate.edu in the Admissions and Registrations section. Each link found under Scholarships will take you to a printable application form.

The Shelton State Foundation also offers a number of scholarships each year. Additional information on Foundation Scholarships may be found by following the same link.

Of course meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee a scholarship. The awarding of scholarships is based upon availability and competition. Scholarships are awarded annually and apply only to those semesters stated in the contract which is sent to the scholarship recipients by the Dean of Students. The scholarship deadline for the 2005-2006 academic year is March 1, 2005.

Scholarships offered include academic scholarships, ambassador scholarships, cheerleader and dance line scholarships, fine arts scholarships and technical scholarships. If you have questions on any of the above listed scholarships, please call Debbie Barton at 391-2901.

WHAT IS TECH PREP?



Tech Prep, short for Technical Preparation, is a way to start a college technical major in high school. In a Tech

Prep program, students begin their course of study in high school and continue in college or an apprentice-ship program.

Tech Prep programs combine the academic courses that students will need for success in college and technical courses that they will need to prepare them for a career. Tech Prep is intended to improve technical and academic preparation of students and to provide a transition plan for secondary for students to a two-year college in a technical field of study.

Students in Tech Prep programs can earn college credit while still in high school through content enhanced articulated courses and dual credit.

The main difference between Tech Prep programs and career/technical programs is that all Tech Prep programs are articulated. Tech Prep programs allow students to get a head start on their college education while they are still in high school because students can receive college credit for courses that they take while still in high school.

For more information call Larry Gray at 205/391-2407.

DUAL ENROLLMENT CON'T

1. Student must have a B average in completed high school courses, 2. Student must be fifteen (15) years old, 3. Student must have written approval of his or her principal and the local superintendent of education prior to enrollment, 4. Student must be in grade 10, 11 or 12. Students who attend a non-accredited high school must also provide ACT scores with a composite of at least 16 or a composite SAT score of 790.

We are looking forward to working with students from the following schools: American Christian Academy, Bibb County Schools, Capitol School, Faith Academy Church School, Grace Christian School, Greensboro - West, Hale County Board of Education, Harvest Christian, Holy Spirit High School, McCully Hill Christian, Pickens Academy, Robertson Chapel Christian School, Tuscaloosa Academy, Tuscaloosa City Schools, Tuscaloosa County Schools and Victory Christian School.

For more information on how our students can take advantage of this exciting and rewarding program, please call Byron Abston at 205/391-2388.

ACT DATES SET

October 23, 2004
December 11, 2004
February 12, 2005
April 9, 2005
June 11, 2005
For registration information, visit the ACT website at www.act.org.

STARS SAVES TIME AND TROUBLE

STARS stands for Statewide Transfer Articulation Reporting System. STARS is a web-accessible database system which provides guidance and direction for prospective transfer students in the State of Alabama.

The STARS System allows public two-year students in Alabama to obtain a Transfer Guide Agreement for the major of their choice. This guide agreement, if used correctly, guides the student through their first two years of coursework and prevents loss of credit hours upon transfer to the appropriate public four-year university in Alabama.

Although transfer guides and agreements can only be printed for two-year to four-year transfers, the STARS system can still provide guidance and direction to transfer students who have a different transfer situation.

The Alabama Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC) is responsible for the oversight and monitoring of the STARS System. The information that students receive from the STARS System has been approved by the AGSC.

For additional information you may access the STARS website from Shelton State's homepage at www.sheltonstate.edu.

SHELTON SUMMER STUDIES: S3

Want to help your students get a head start on college this summer? Encourage them to apply for the Shelton Summer Studies (S3) program.

Shelton Summer Studies is an excellent way for students to get a head start on their college career. It is a wonderful opportunity for students who plan to continue their education at Shelton State and for those students who will be attending another institution in the fall. With proper planning, general academic courses should transfer to any college or university.

Each summer thousands of dollars designated for financial aid and scholarships go unused. Shelton Summer Studies (S3) is a program designed to help graduating seniors get a head start

on college by applying for these untapped funds.

Any student who graduates from high school in spring 2005 with the Standard or Advanced High School diploma is eligible to apply.

There are four great reasons to enroll in the Shelton Summer Studies program: Shelton State S3 Program has no effect on any other financial aid, the Shelton State S3 Program will not affect plans to attend another school in the fall, beginning college freshmen can save valuable time and money, and there is no application fee.

The Shelton Summer Studies application deadline is May 1, 2005. For additional information call (205) 391-2232.

NEW PERSONNEL AT SSCC

President Rick Rogers of Shelton State Community College has announced new appointments at the school as it reorganizes its administrative structure.

Tommy Taylor was named Dean of Students in June. **Taylor** began his career at Shelton State in 1983 as a student before going on to receive his B.A. and Master degrees at the University of Alabama. His previous employment Shelton State included terms as an admissions officer, Assistant Dean and as Planning and Finance Division Director and Deputy

Director of Administration at the Alabama Fire College. From 2002 to 2003, Taylor served as Director of Operations overseeing all aspects of the school's campuses.

Byron Abston has been named Interim Registrar for the college. Abston has served as a mathematics instructor, Faculty Assistant to the President and as Director of Grant and Resource Development. He holds a B.S. in finance and a M.A. in Secondary mathematics from the University of Alabama.

Ms. Jenetta Hargrow has served as Director of Recruiting for Shelton State and has been given additional supervisory responsibilities with the title of Assistant Dean for Student Services. She began her education at Shelton State receiving both an A.S.

and A.A.S. degrees. She received her B.S. degree from Stillman College.Mrs. Gladys Hill has been named Assistant Dean for Health Services. Hill began her career in nursing at West Alabama General Hospital in Northport. From 1984 to 1994, Mrs. Hill taught in the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Shelton State and in 1994 became Director of the Shelton State Community College Nursing Programs.

Mrs. Linda Grote, Associate Dean for Administrative Services, has been selected to fill the position of Associate Dean for Academic Services. Grote, employed at Shelton State since 1980, has served as Chairperson of the Division of Social Sciences, Speech and Fine Arts as well as ACT WorkKeys coordinator and ACT Job Profiler. She holds degrees from Samford University and the University of Alabama.

Dr. Bruce Bizzoco has served as Associate Dean for Instruction Services and assumes the role of Associate Dean of Student Services. A long time employee of the college, Dr. Bizzoco has served in various positions at the college during his 25 year tenure. He has taught anthropology and fencing classes and continues to do so. He holds graduate degrees from the University of Alabama and the United States Olympic Training Center.

Mr. Ronald Range, Title III Coordinator, will become Assistant Director for the Fredd Campus in addition to his duties with Title III. Range has been employed at Shelton State since 1992 beginning as Assessment Coordinator and then as Director of Institutional Research. He holds a bachelors degree in Business Administration from Stillman College and a Masters of Public Administration from UAB.

ACCELERATED HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM OFFERS ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

We would like to thank the schools who have been participating in the Accelerated High School program at Shelton State Community College and encourage your continued participation. We would also like to see other schools encourage their students to take advantage of this opportunity. High school students can earn college credits that will transfer to most four-year institutions or toward a degree here at Shelton.

Students are eligible for the Accelerated High School Program if they meet the following criteria: 1. The student must have successfully com-

pleted the 10th grade, 2. The student must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, 3. The student must have completed any required high school prerequisites, 4. The local principal or his or her designee must certify that the student has a minimum cumulative B average and recommend that the student be admitted to this program. A letter must be submitted each semester that the student attends College prior to enrollment, 5. Shelton state will not officially award college credit to accelerated high school students until proof of high school graduation (an official transcript with a graduation date) is

provided, 6. Exceptions may be made to requirements one and two above for students documented as gifted and talented according to the standards included in the State Plan of Exceptional Children and Youth. Permission must be obtained from the Chancellor of the Alabama College System, 7. Students who attend a non-accredited high school must meet additional criteria: compliance with items 1, 2, 3, and 4 as noted above and provide ACT scores with a composite of at least 16 or a SAT score of 790.



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Phone	(205) 391-2214	Jeanetta Hargrow		December 3 - 9:00 A.M.
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FINANCIAL AID		Rhonda Smith		January 6, 2005
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